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SUBJECT: SECRETARY-DESIGNATE'S UNGA BILATERAL WITH JOBERT

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1. SUMMARY: EMBASSY RECOMMENDS THAT BILATERAL BETWEEN SECRETARY-DESIGNATE AND FRENCH FOREIGN MINISTER CONCENTRATE ON MAJOR WORLD ISSUES AND THAT WITHIN SUCH A FRAMEWORK EMPHASIS BE GIVEN TO US-EUROPE DECLARATION(S) OF PRINCIPLES AND DIALOGUE, EAST-WEST DETENTE, RELATIONS WITH CHINA, SOUTH-EAST ASIA AND MIDDLE EAST. END SUMMARY.

2. WE ASSUME PRINCIPAL TOPIC IN KISSINGER-JOBERT BILATERAL WILL BE EUROPE. SESSION WILL TAKE PLACE APPROXIMATELY WHEN DANISH FONMIN ANDERSEN DISCUSSES RESULTS OF EC FOREIGN MINISTERS' MEETING IN COPENHAGEN WITH SECRETARY-DESIGANTE. DISCUSSION WITH ANDERSEN WILL PRESUMABLY COVER EC THINKING ABOUT PRESIDENTIAL DISCUSSIONS WITH EUROPE AND KINDS OF DECLARATION(S) WHICH SHOULD RESULT FROM PRESIDENT'S EUROPEAN

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TOUR. IT WOULD, THEREFORE, BE USEFUL TO DISCUSS WITH JOBERT,

NOT ONLY FRENCH VIEWS, BUT ALSO OUR OWN THINKING ABOUT TIMING, AGENDA AND FORUM(S) FOR PRESIDENT'S VISIT, AND OUR VIEWS ON POSSIBLE ELEMENTS OF JOINT US-EC AND US-NATO DECLARATIONS. IN THAT CONTEXT, BILATERAL WILL PROVIDE SECRETARY-DESIGNATE WITH OPPORTUNITY TO PROBE JOBERT'S THINKING ON EUROPEAN DEFENSE (INCLUDING HOW THIS TOPIC FITS INTO "EUROPEAN IDENTITY" CHARTER) AND TO PROVIDE AGAIN ASSURANCES ABOUT US INTENTIONS WITH REGARD TO DISARMAMENT (ESPECIALLY SALT) AND TROOP REDUCTIONS THROUGH MBFR. GIVEN PERSISTENT FRENCH SUSPICIONS OF CURRENT US-SOVIET RELATIONSHIP, PARTICULARLY AGREEMENT ON PREVENTION OF NUCLEAR WAR, IT WILL BE IMPORTANT TO KEEP JOBERT ABREAST OF OUR THINKING IN OUR OWN ONGOING NEGOTIATIONS WITH SOVIETS.

3. BEYOND EUROPEAN PROBLEMS, BILATERAL WILL PROVIDE USEFUL OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW MAJOR WORLD ISSUES, INCLUDING CHINA, SOUTHEAST ASIA AND MIDDLE EAST. JOBERT WILL BE GOING TO NEW YORK LESS THAN WEEK AFTER HIS RETURN FROM CHINA WHERE HE WILL HAVE BEEN PART OF PRESIDENT POMPIDOU'S PARTY. SECRETARY-DESIGNATE MAY WISH TO SEEK JOBERT'S ASSESSMENT OF BENEFITS OF TRIP FROM FRENCH STANDPOINT, CHINESE VIEWS ON EUROPE, CAMBODIA AND SOUTHEAST ASIA IN GENERAL. HIS OWN PLANS FOR VISIT TO CHINA AND CURRENT EVOLUTION OF SINO-AMERICAN RELATIONS WOULD UNDOUBTEDLY BE WELCOMED BY JOBERT. JOBERT WILL, OF COURSE, BE EQUALLY INTERESTED IN AUTHORITY STATEMENT USG'S VIEWS ON PROBLEMS ARISING FROM IMPLEMENTATION OF PARIS ACCORDS, INCLUDING VIOLATIONS, AND SITUATION IN CAMBODIA AND SOUTH VIET-NAM.

4. FINALLY, IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO DISCUSS WITH JOBERT GENERAL SITUATION IN MIDDLE EAST. FRENCH HAVE BEEN FOLLOWING US DIPLOMATIC EFFORTS CLOSELY, PARTICULARLY PRESIDENT'S RECENT STATEMENT, AND WOULD APPRECIATE FILL-IN ON WHERE THEY STAND. PURPOSE OF SUCH CONSULTATION WOULD BE TO AVOID FRENCH INJECTING THEMSELVES INTO ISSUE IN WAYS UNHELPFUL TO OUR IH

JMYS. SECRETARY-DESIGNATE MAY WISH IN THIS CONTEXT TO ADDRESS PROBLEM OF EFFECTIVE INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION ON CONTROL OF TERRORISM, AND HIJACKING WHERE FRENCH HAVE FREQUENTLY BEEN ON OPPOSITE SIDE FROM USG.

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5. WE DO NOT RECOMMEND THAT SECRETARY-DESIGNATE ATTEMPT TO GET INTO CONTENTIOUS BILATERAL ISSUES SUCH AS FRELOC CLAIMS OR US MEMBERSHIP IN UNESCO REGIONAL GROUP. DECISION ON WHETHER TO RAISE ARTICLE XXIV:6 COMPENSATION SHOULD BE MADE IN LIGHT OF PROGRESS BETWEEN NOW AND BILATERAL MEETING. WE DO NOT RULE OUT POSSIBILITY THAT JOBERT MAY RAISE SOME BILATERAL ISSUES OF IMPORTANCE TO FRANCE, INCLUDING UNHAPPINESS WITH USG IMPOSITION

SOYA EXPORT CONTROLS WITHOUT CONSULTATION, AIR ROUTE
NEGOTIATIONS OR QUESTIONS RELATING TO RESTRICTIONS ON
LICENSING OF ADVANCED TECHNOLOGIES.

6. AMBASSADOR IRWIN MAY HAVE FURTHER SUGGESTIONS.
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